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SETTING UP OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES IN COASTAL AREAS
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Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a): whether the Union Government proposes to set up small scale industries in coastal areas of West Bengal to generate employment opportunities;

(b): if so, the details thereof and the areas identified for setting up of such small scale industries; and

(c): if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES & AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD)

(a)to(c): Setting up small scale industries (SSIs) is an activity mainly depending on individual entrepreneurs. Further, the development and promotion of SSIs, with a view to generating employment, is primarily the responsibility of the State/Union Territory (UT) Government concerned. However, the Central Government supports and supplements the efforts of the State/UT Governments through various schemes/programmes relating to fiscal support, credit support, infrastructural development, technology upgradation, marketing, entrepreneurial development, etc., which are implemented in all States/UTs, including West Bengal. The aim of the schemes/programmes of the Central Government for promotion of small scale industries is thus to supplement the efforts of the States/UTs and create an environment conducive for the entrepreneurs to establish industries in the small scale sector.